

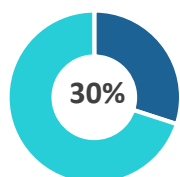
2017 SOGI Youth Survey Highlights

In June, the Saginaw Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Youth Advocacy Council (SOGI YAC) conducted the second annual SOGI Youth Survey with attendees of the Great Lakes Bay Pride Festival in Bay City. Survey questions asked about community climate, knowledge of resources, and supports that may help young adults meet their goals.

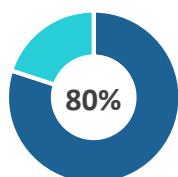
SURVEY SAMPLE

115 youth age 14-26 completed the survey.

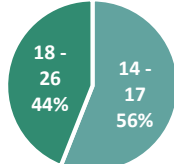
Saginaw County



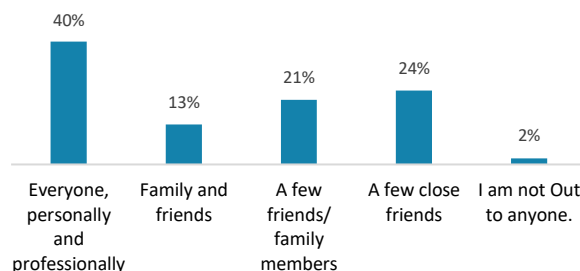
LGBTQ+*



Age



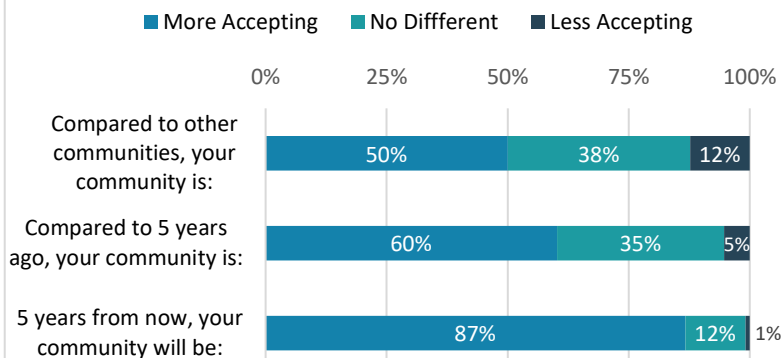
LGBTQ+ youth were Out to...



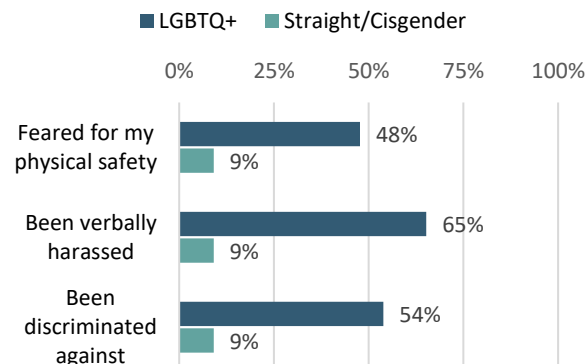
COMMUNITY CLIMATE

Research has consistently found that supportive, affirming communities mediate many risk factors that LGBTQ+ youth experience. Although youth responding to the survey reported progress toward acceptance in the community, victimization was a common experience and many LGBTQ+ youth felt the need to hide their identity.

Perceptions of Community Acceptance of LGBTQ+



Victimization Experiences in Prior Year



In the last year, due to fear of negative consequences...



72% of LGBTQ+ youth concealed their sexual orientation or gender identity



34% of LGBTQ+ youth avoided situations, activities, or people for fear of being labeled as LGBTQ+



44% of LGBTQ+ youth concealed their support of LGBTQ+ issues

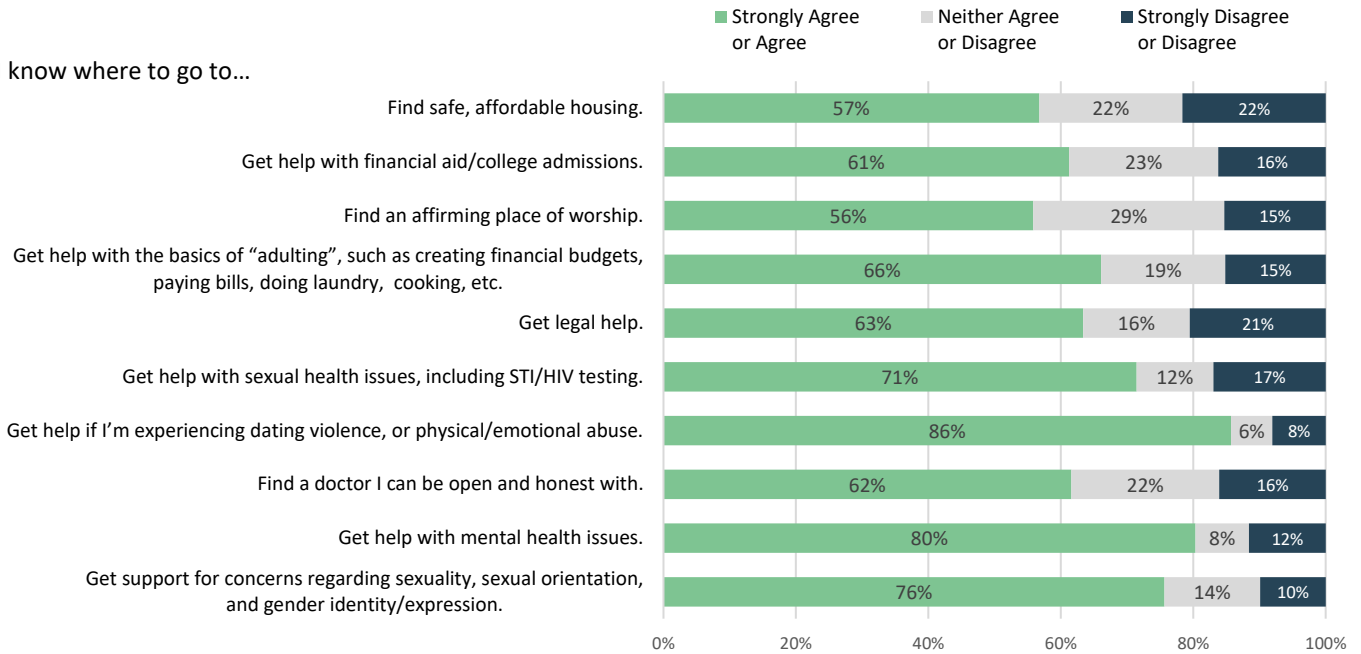


9% of straight/ cisgender allies concealed their support of LGBTQ+ issues

*LGBTQ+ = youth who do not identify as cisgender and heterosexual (straight)

KNOWLEDGE OF RESOURCES

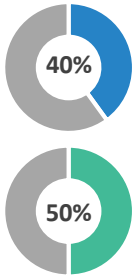
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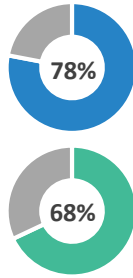
TRANSITION AGE YOUTH NEEDS

■ Straight/Cisgender ■ LGBTQ+

Currently Employed

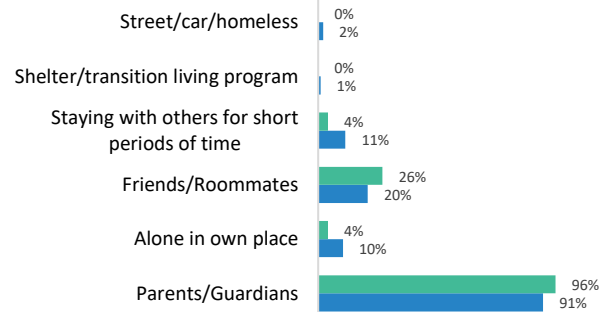


Currently in School

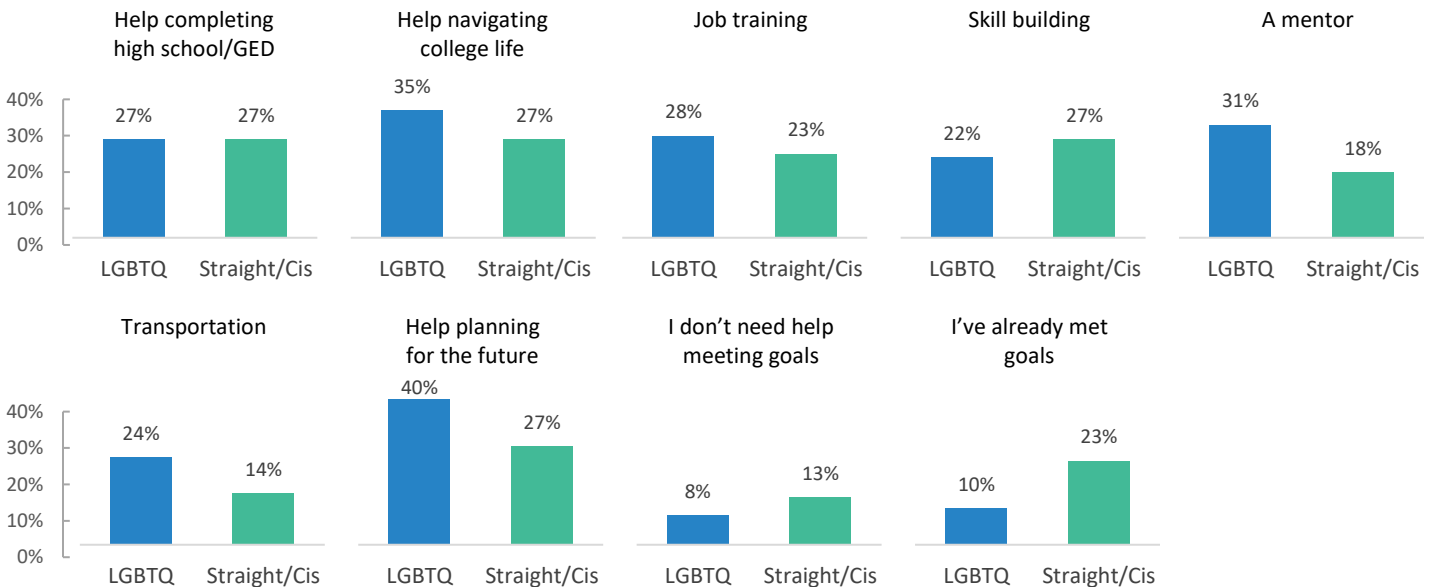


Living situation in last year:

■ Straight/Cisgender ■ LGBTQ+



Needs for meeting education/employment goals:



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